

REMARKS

As required by the Examiner, on page 1 of the specification, the paragraph on lines 5 – 7 has been amended to include the language --now U.S. Patent No. 6,883,425 B2, granted April 26, 2002.

As required by the Examiner, an Information Disclosure Statement By Applicant is submitted herewith. It lists the two patents that are discussed in the specification, viz. U.S. Patents Nos. 5,355,791 and 5,622,106.

Submitted herewith are replacement sheets for sheets 2, 3, 6 and 9 of the drawing. These sheets of drawing have been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner under the category "Drawings" in the Office Action. The replacement sheets are identified by the words "replacement sheet" at the top of each sheet.

The informalities in the Specification kindly pointed out by the Examiner on pages 5 and 6 of the Office Action have been corrected.

Claims 1 – 11 and 13 – 15 have been canceled. Claims 12, 16, 17 and 30 – 32 have been amended. Claims 33 – 38 remain in the application but are withdrawn from further consideration in this application. New claims 39 – 42 have been added. It is submitted that the informalities kindly pointed out by the Examiner in the Office Action have been corrected in the amended claims and do not appear in the new claims.

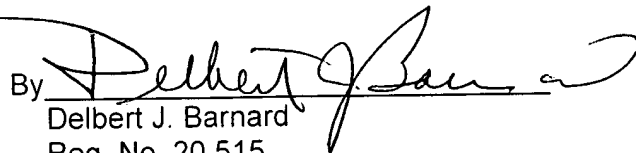
Allowable dependent claims 9, 11, 13 and 14 have been replaced by new claims 39 – 42. Claims 18 and 30 – 32 remain in the application and have been amended to correct the informalities that were in them. Original claims 19 – 29 remain in the application.

It is submitted that all of the claims in the application are allowable. Accordingly,
early reconsideration and allowance of the application are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the Drawing

Enclosed are replacements for sheets 2, 3, 6 and 9 of the drawing. In Fig. 2 on sheet 2, the reference numerals "80, 82, 84" have been changed to --IC1, IC2, IC3--.

In Fig. 3 on sheet 3, reference numeral "80" has been changed to --C1--.

In Fig. 10, the reference numeral "18" appearing above reference numeral "26" has been changed to --20--.

The new sheets of drawing have been labeled "Replacement Sheet" as requested by the Examiner.